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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Continuation Appln. of:)	
Appln. No. 09/356,692	:	
Filed: July 20, 1999)	
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KATSUMI AZUSAWA, ET AL.)	
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Application No.: Unassigned)	
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For: IMAGE PICKUP APPARATUS)	November 3, 2003

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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed documents are also enclosed.

REMARKS

The documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449, may be deemed pertinent because they were cited during prosecution of parent Application No. 09/356,692, filed July 20, 1999. In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(d), copies of the cited U.S. documents are available in the above-mentioned parent application and are therefore not submitted herewith.

FEE STATEMENT

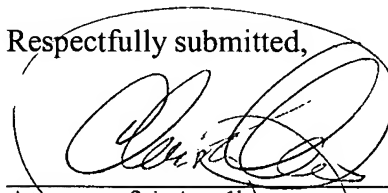
The present Information Disclosure Statement is being filed together with the present divisional application. Accordingly, Applicants believe that no fee is required. Nevertheless, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any fee necessitated by this paper to Deposit Account No. 06-1205.

CONCLUSION

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

Respectfully submitted,



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U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS							
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		5,561,498	10/1996	Sekine, et al.	348	208.8	
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FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS							
		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	COUNTRY	CLASS	SUBCLASS	TRANSLATION YES/NO/ OR ABSTRACT

OTHER DOCUMENT(S) (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)		

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